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c) determining extent of a compound identified in b) as having inhibitory

activity to inhibit growth of a bacterial strain in vitro.

19. The method in claim 18, wherein the method of identifying compounds having

inhibitory activity is selected from the group consisting of (a) NMR chemical shift

perturbation, (b) gel filtration chromatography, or c) sedimentation equilibrium measurements

using an analytical ultracentrifuge.

20. The method of claim 18, further comprising d) determining extent of a compound

identified in c) as inhibiting growth of a bacterial strain in vitro, to inhibit replication of a

bacterial strain in a non-human animal.

REMARKS

The Applicants replace all previous versions of the claims of the above-referenced

application with claims 1-20 identified above for examination in conjunction with the above-

identified application. No new matter has been added by this Amendment.

Applicants authorize the U.S.P.T.O. to charge the \$500.00 fee due with this

Amendment to Deposit Account No. 50-1943 if this fee has not been charged previously. If

there are any questions, the Applicants' agent can be reached at 609-844-3021.

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